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## EASTER STARTS EARLY IN DRAYTON VALLEY



Cathy Westman Western Review

Three-year-old Lela Cox stopped by Frank Maddock High School to say hello to the Easter bunny on March 21 during the second annual Easter Extravaganza. For more turn to page 13.

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## News

# Look out for a math prodigy attending Holy Trinity

Scoring 100 per cent in Grade 12

Manita Lulla  
Western Review

A Holy Trinity Academy student has scored 100 per cent on his Grade 12 math diploma.

Kaylen Thompson scored 100 per cent on his Math 30-1 diploma exam that he took recently.

"I went into it feeling pretty confident because I took a 'diploma' course to prepare. It's a course from the University of Alberta. It runs for three days if I remember correctly, plus the preparation in the class so all that made me feel pretty confident. Left feeling good about it, and sure enough I ended up getting a 100 per cent," said

Thompson. "I have always been pretty strong in math. Actually it's gone up three per cent every year since I started high school. In Grade 10 I got 94, Grade 11 I got 97 and then this year I got a 100," he said.

It is rare for students to come out with 100 per cent. "I could tell you, in the last eight years this is the first [student] I have had since I have been here at Holy Trinity Academy [to score 100 per cent]. I have had a few [students] come close, with one or two wrong [answers], it's so hard to get a 100 per cent," said Woods.

"It is really easy to make one small mistake and ruin it," added Thompson. He has applied to study engineering at the University of Alberta.

"I haven't heard back yet, but still feeling hopeful," he added. Thompson's math grades have gotten better over the years.

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(From left) Holy Trinity math teacher Allen Woods alongside of his Grade 12 student Kaylen Thompson during lunch break last week. Woods is proud of Thompson for scoring 100 per cent on his Grade 12 math diploma.

## Preparation for Triathlon begins

Duathlon option also available

Justine Klenow  
Western Review

Registrations are now being accepted for the Drayton Valley Triathlon that will be held on May 9.

Race Director Lynette Nienaber said previous triathlons were a success which is why the Drayton Valley Triathlon committee is bringing it back to town on its fourth year.

"Each year, it has grown in attendance with the exception of last year with the cancellation and the date change," Nienaber said. "We lost volunteers and we lost contestants, but people are interested and they want to come back. It is a great location here, nice and central."

The triathlon is not exclusive to Olympians but is open to everyone, even to children as young as five years old. All participants will also receive a medal for completing the triathlon.

"It is a sprint triathlon, it is not an Iron Man triathlon so anyone who is an avid runner or enjoys physical fitness can be in this triathlon. You do not have to be an Olympian to do it, just do some training and have some dedication," Nienaber said. "We believe it is a great event for the community with health and wellness, and physical activity. The Kids of Steel is excellent for young children. It gets them motivated. It is something that parents and kids can do together."

Not only will the triathlon be a great way for family bonding while being physically active, it will also help boost the town's economy. "It is a great economic development for the community. It brings people overnight to eat at restaurants, to stay in the hotels, and to showcase Drayton Valley," said Nienaber.

The route of the triathlon is yet to be decided. "The Alberta Triathlon Association is having some rule changes so we are bringing out their expert to look at our routes and confirm them within the next few weeks," said Nienaber. "We hope to keep it the same routes pretty much. We have our bylaw enforcement officer who will be in charge of the safety of the routes, so that is really reassuring that we have somebody to experience that knows what needs to be done helping us out."

Volunteers are also needed for the event and they can sign up by e-mailing poolandmind@draytonvalley.ca.

"The setup is tremendous for this and the more volunteers along the roadways make it safer," Nienaber said. A duathlon option is also available for anyone who wants to participate but can't swim. Those who choose this option will ride a bike and run twice.

Anyone interested in participating in this event can register by looking up Drayton Valley at triathlon.bc.ca. For more information about the event, call Drayton Valley Pool at 780-514-2225.

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Next Regular meeting of Council  
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The deadline for applications is April 30th, 2015. For more information contact Lyla 780-514-2204.



## News

# Humans Helping Humans plan a new build this spring

Cathy Westman  
Western Review

Drayton Valley's Humans Helping Humans Housing Foundation (HHHF) is about to break ground on its fourth building since being formed a few years ago.

It will be a duplex located on 45th Street. As soon as the snow is gone, we want to get started as soon as possible. Most of our trades are already lined up. We have a lot of unselfish tradesmen and most of them are local," announced Hack Hamdon, overall project chair.

According to Hamdon, each half of the duplex will be just over 1,000 square feet and will contain three bedrooms, living room, bathroom and kitchen with appliances, plus a washer and dryer.

"We've built a single family dwelling and two duplexes in the past," said Hamdon, adding that with the employment rate going down, the need for housing is even greater this time than in the past.

He added that with the first two builds, the organization received some provincial funding but then the money ran out.

"On the build in 2012, we were fortunate enough to have Daylight come through with funds to purchase our land. We had two of our families move out so we didn't have a build

last year. This year we own the land and have money to pay for all the building materials, not including the labour. The duplex is expected to cost around \$300,000. We usually get the trades to donate their time," noted Hamdon.

"I'm sure we're going to see a lot of applications for this build, at least two dozen if not more," noted Hamdon.

The question of how a person or family goes about applying for a duplex was answered by Rob White, Chair of the Selection Committee, and original member of the Humans Helping Humans Housing Foundation.

"It's wonderful to see the project come to fruition. It starts by picking up an application package at Rotary House, Early Childhood Development Centre, Nequest Collect or Parent Link and some of the churches in town. The package has application forms which give us a good snapshot of the applicants' spending habits, including their bills and any financial liabilities. Applicants over the age of 18 who will be living in the home will undergo a criminal record check and a Record of Intervention and will submit three references," said White.

"The biggest challenge for applicants is how they're going to pay off 500 hours and how much thought they've put into the actual planning. In the appli-

cation forms, applicants must also write down the names of any family members who will help volunteer their time toward the 500 hours. Children of the applicants can contribute toward their volunteer hours by playing hockey or other sports. At the end of 500 hours, the applicants are going to have an investment in their homes through blood sweat and tears," noted White.

Because the duplex is a community project, residents can also come out and volunteer their time with non-critical parts of the build such as helping to raise a wall or two. "It's a lot of work but it's sure worth it. People who want to volunteer can 'friend' us on Facebook. There will always be an opportunity to help out," added Hamdon.

He added that once the application forms are completely filled out, they are to be placed into a self-addressed, stamped envelope and sent through Canada Post to the HHHF's address. In turn, White takes them and marks them with numbers so they are non-identifiable. A financial adviser and interviewer looks at each of the applications and the applicants will meet with the interviewer to obtain further information on the family background.

"All the information comes back to the main committee

where we vote by the assigned numbers on the envelopes. We hope to have the application process done at the end of May and the selections will

be announced by July 31 when I'll take the successful applications to the nurturing committee of the board. We choose people who will be successful in

the program and assist them to achieve that success. We don't want to set people up for failure. We give them a hand up, not a hand out," concluded White.



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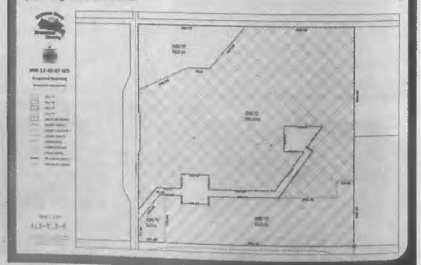
## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

TAKE NOTICE that Brazeau County Council has given first reading to Bylaw 862-15 to change the designation of part of NW 12-49-7-W5M from **Agricultural (AG) and Direct Control (DC) to Direct Control (DC)** as shown on the accompanying map. If approved, the change in designation will permit a variety of land uses (in specific areas) on the parcel including but not limited to oilfield support services, outdoor storage facility, natural resource extraction and processing, aerodrome and residential uses.

FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that Brazeau County Council will hold a Public Hearing at which any person claiming to be affected by the proposed redesignation may ask questions or make their views known. The **Public Hearing will be held on April 21, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.** or as soon thereafter as possible in the Council Chambers of Brazeau County office at 7401 Township Road 494, Drayton Valley, Alberta, T7A 1R1.

Any written submission mailed or delivered to Brazeau County, Box 77, 7401 Township Road 494, Drayton Valley, Alberta, T7A 1R1 or faxed to 780-542-7770 by 4:30 p.m., April 3, 2015, will be included in the Council Report. Written and oral submissions may also be made at the Council meeting without prior notification to Brazeau County. If you make a written submission, the information you provide may be made public, subject to the provisions of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

A copy of Bylaw 862-15 and the Direct Control District (DC) is available for public inspection at the Brazeau County Office between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. For further information, please contact Planning & Development by telephone (780) 542-2667 or by e-mail at planning@brazeau.ab.ca.



Cathy Westman Western Review

(From left) Hack Hamdon and Bob White of Drayton Valley's Humans Helping Humans Housing Foundation (HHHF) pose together in front of a photograph titled, "Pulling Together," which the pair can identify with as a new building project is about to start.

## News

# Get closer with your family Battle of the Books to begin

Workshops  
scheduled  
in April

Monika Lufka  
Western Review

Family values, trust and communication. All the tools that you need to build a stronger family will be at your hands on Apr. 25.

Drayton Valley Community Parent Coalition is hosting a Building Families conference for the first time to bring families closer with sessions running all day.

"This is the first time we are hosting it. All of our sessions are going to be facilitated by local people, so families can reach out if they need resources and if they need information, they can reach out to people in Drayton Valley," said chair Lorna Pearson-Hoofst last week.

The conference is about bringing the families in the community together to experience a day of education in various topics that affect families daily and provide access to resources in the community.

"Since our community thrives on strong families, providing families with a accessible resources gives them the support they need to make it through life's toughest spots," she said.

There are six sessions running all day, with three in the morning and three in the afternoon. Any parent can attend two sessions, with one in the morning and one in the afternoon as all sessions run simultaneously.

Morning sessions include positive parenting, bullying prevention and how fighting affects children, while the sessions in the afternoon are picky eaters, inter-

net safety, and kids have events too.

She explained building families encompasses parenting and communication strategies that strengthen the family unit and promotes healthy family environment.

There is also a resource fair in the same premises for other community organizations to share their information with the families that will be attending the sessions.

"Because we can't fit everyone in, we are hosting a resource fair to get all the information out there. Basically any community groups in town, if they want to come and set up their can," she said.

The event runs at St. Anthony School from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. with a free lunch and childcare services. To register call 780-514-2206.

Event will  
inspire  
students  
to read

Justine Kinnaman  
Western Review

Students from Grade 3 to Grade 6 will come together for the 20th Battle of the Books organized by the Drayton Valley Municipal Library and the Drayton Valley Rotary Children's Library. The event will be held on May 7 at the Drayton Valley town office.

Drayton Valley Rotary Children's Library programmer for children's programs, Virginia Johnson, said the event is a competition between teams composed of four members each.

"It is a competition between grades 3 and 4 and grades 5 and 6 teams. It is going to be like a jeopardy program and each team has to read 16 books and they have one month to read them. Johnson said, "I will be asking them

twenty questions each and there will be rounds. We have all the schools participating this year except for Tamarah. Iren is participating as well and we have the home schools participating too."

The main goal of this event is to motivate children to read books while fostering friendly competition among them.

"It is to encourage children to read. That is the whole purpose of it and they can compete against each other and it is just fun," Johnson said.

Johnson said organizers of the event picked a wide selection of books for the children.

"They are fun books. We try to choose a variety of mystery, fiction, and non-fiction," she said.

"We try to not have all horror or all one series of something. We picked a variety of books that they can enjoy and we try to have them not to go over 200 pages because they only have a month to read 16 books. Even though there are four of them in a team, that is a lot of

books to read."

Winners of Battle of the Books will receive prizes including medals and gift cards.

"There is going to be a gold medalist, silver medalist, and a bronze medalist," Johnson said.

"We are also doing gift cards to whichever team wins, they will get some monetary gift cards and that usually goes towards one of the bookstores."

A new addition to this year's Battle of the Books is the opportunity for students to design their own T-shirts for the event.

"The kids received T-shirts so this year, the one thing I have done differently is actually asked each team to make their own design for a T-shirt. They are going to be showcasing their artwork and we will have that transferred on to their T-shirts," Johnson said. "Another thing I have done this year is I bought fabric pens so that when the event is over and if they want to write on the back of their T-shirts they can and they can also have an autograph from anybody."



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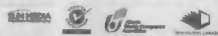
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## Editorial

# Fraud can happen anywhere and any time

One of the scariest words being spoken globally today is "fraud."

Fraud can range from buying or selling items on-line, fake cell phone accounts, compromised or stolen credit cards, bad cheques, computer repair 'experts' that offer to fix a problem but instead take and use a person's credit card number, lottery winners that have to pay a processing fee, to buying something online that does not exist. Let's not forget home renovation fraud either, with spring just around the corner.

Most people either have been victims of fraud themselves, or know somebody who has been one. If the fraud is serious enough it can make life both very difficult and expensive. For example, if a person's credit card is stolen and the perpetrator of the crime has racked up thousands of dollars on it, their credit rating can be ruined.

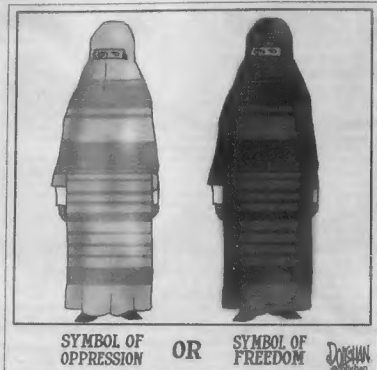
March has been deemed Fraud Awareness Month by the provincial government, and there are some helpful publications available from the RCMP. Service Alberta and both the Canadian and Alberta governments to help prevent, or recover from, all types of fraud. Service Alberta offers tips to homeowners to protect them from home renovation fraud and how to file a consumer complaint if fraud should occur. Both governments offer publications on

identity protection, information for businesses, reporting ID theft and have a Canadian Identity Theft Support Centre. There is also the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre that not only acts as Canada's central fraud data repository, but also plays a crucial role in educating the public about telemarketing pitches and collecting evidence documentation which is made available to law enforcement agencies. The Better Business Bureau has a scam stopper website, while the Competition Bureau is an independent law enforcement agency to assist Canadian businesses and consumers in prospering in a competitive market place.

With today's new technology, an application called Scam Detector is a free online service and iPhone application that exposes over 500 common scams worldwide, and provides information to consumers about protecting themselves against scammers by describing the delivery method, dialogue and tips to spot the scam.

There is an old saying that still applies today. It goes like this: "If it sounds too good to be true it probably isn't."

Since knowledge is power, maybe it's time to fight back against the fraud artists and scammers by knowing how they work and stopping a crime before it happens.



## The \$100 green vet bill

I own a cat. Just one, so nobody's calling me a 'crazy cat lady' yet. She is a Maine Coon, the largest breed of cats in the world. They are also known as 'gentle giants' because they can grow very large and measure up to 48 inches from nose to tail. Mine (a female) weighs about 14 pounds and is 36 inches long.

Since I adopted her eight years ago as a rescue pet, she has had no health problems until February of this year. I had no idea what was causing her sluggishness, lack of appetite, shakiness and refusal to leave her place by the back door. After three days of this behaviour, I gave up trying to analyse her condition and brought her to a veterinarian in the city. After repeated questions and answers the vet admitted he didn't know what was wrong with her and suggested bringing her back the following week if she didn't improve.

And then I got the shakes when I saw the cost of the visit - \$100 for looking in



Cathy's Comments  
Cathy Weetman

her mouth and feeling her stomach. Now scared out of my wits at the thought of losing my four-legged companion, I promptly spent another \$27 getting monthly pet insurance just in case this was something really serious.

Once I got her home and she settled back into her spot by the door, the cause of her malady hit me in the face like a couple. I had switched her cat treats a few days before from tuna-flavoured fish shapes to little dark green coloured toothbrush shapes - and she had eaten a whole bag of them in two days! Why not? She loves to eat and there was no warning label on the bag as to how many

treats should be given out on a daily basis. So she had overdosed on little green toothbrushes, and we were both paying the price - he financially and her intestine-ally.

I have friends who own both cats and dogs, so I put a shout out on Facebook on how to fix major constipation and was given advice from giving my cat thinly sliced apple and canned pumpkin to laxatives. I chose the chemical route, bought a package of Carter's Little Pills (formerly called Carter's Little Liver Pills) and tossed one into the back of her throat, where, miraculously she swallowed it without a struggle.

By next morning, she was pretty much back to her normal self, and I learned a relatively expensive lesson about everything in moderation, especially when applied to felines.

No more tiny toothbrushes for my cat - she'd rather have fish shapes any day - and from now on I will save myself \$100 in "stupidity fees" for jumping to conclusions.

## Letter to the editor

### Town Hall meeting to discuss fate of Air Cadets

The Drayton Valley Air Cadet organization has been operating for 81 years. Many fine young men and women have participated in this program and have gone on to become motivated, successful and respectful citizens in our community.

We are a point where the parent committee and the Drayton Valley Legion are concerned about the future of this organization. Air cadets have volunteered at the Health Foundation Christmas Coat Check for the Festival of Lights; they maintain the cenotaph, volunteer for parades, and perform Remembrance Day ceremonies at Sen-

iors Homes.

Without volunteers to help teach the cadets, the program will shut down. Training is provided to the volunteers who will help the cadets advance their ranks.

We are requesting the attendance of representatives from the Town of Drayton Valley and Brazeau councils, Fire and Police services, former cadets, service men and women, and all citizens at a town hall meeting scheduled at the Royal Canadian Legion branch 289 on April 14, 2015 at 7pm. This meeting is to discuss the future and continuation of this organization. Please show your support by attending this meeting.

For information, please call Renée Seely 780-542-0931 or Lorna Luchyk 780-542-5891.

Diane Hooey

### Need to get something off your chest?

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## Spring events coming

Time to put away those winter boots because it's unofficially spring! I can't really complain too much about our winter since it seemed pretty mild and came compared to previous years, but I am looking forward to the change of seasons. Don't get me wrong, I had fun playing in the snow and doing some ice fishing, but now I am focused on eager to dive into all the recreational opportunities that spring has to offer!

But it's hard to know what activity I should do first - hiking? Geocaching? A paddle down the river? An ATV trail ride? The opportunities really are endless. If you're new to Drayton Valley or aren't sure of what types of recreational clubs and activities are available to you, there are a couple of AGMs coming up that will be able to provide you with some useful information.

The Brazeau ATV Club will be hosting their AGM on March 26th beginning at 6:30pm at the Penn West Building. At this meeting you can find out details on what events the club is planning for the year including their annual Park Rally and



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involvement in the Parks Council's Parks Day. If you have an ATV and want to hit up some of the club's trails, this is a great opportunity to find out what trails the club has to offer and how you can become a club member.

The Drayton Valley Paddling Club is gearing up for their paddling season which will include several day trips and other activities like Parks Day and canoe/kayak lessons at the Park Valley Pool. If you're interested in learning more about the club and how you can be a part of it, they will be hosting their AGM on March 31st at the Drayton Valley Provincial Building starting at 6:30pm. There will be coffee and donuts so make sure to bring a friend and find out what

the club has planned for 2015!

Camping season will soon be upon us as well and for those of you who are interested in checking out the new campsites at Willey West Campground, you can start planning your camping adventure as of April 15th by calling 780-54-5821. This year also marks the 25th Anniversary of Willey West so make sure to mark May 20th on your calendars for the park's anniversary celebration.

There will be a free BBQ, entertainment and activities for the kids! All this talk of spring activities has got me itching to get outside this weekend to soak up some sun and fresh air. I think I will start spring off simple and take the family out to the Willey West Interpretive Trails and maybe even have a picnic if the weather cooperates! I hope that all of you get the chance to enjoy this beautiful weather and savour the sights and sounds of spring!

— JeanAnne Prystiak  
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## News

## Diploma weighting changes in September

Dear Constituents, I am happy to bring this news to you regarding education in the province of Alberta from the Minister of Education, The Honourable Gordon Duka.

**DIPLOMA WEIGHTING**

Alberta teachers work year round to prepare students for their future and use their professional expertise to assess student performance based on a variety of factors.

As of September 1, 2015, we are adjusting the balance of classroom and diploma exam marks from 50/50 to 70/30 to place greater emphasis on school awarded marks. The change ensures that we are putting a higher weighting where it belongs — on the hard work students put in throughout the school year and

the hard work put in by teachers to assess how students are learning and growing each day.

Diploma exams remain an important method of public assurance that the education system is performing well. The change will provide a more accurate reflection of student performance by enabling those who work closely with students on a daily basis to assess student abilities and knowledge.

We are pleased that this change is supported by the Alberta School Boards Association, and the Alberta School Councils Association, which had previously announced their preference for a lower diploma exam weight.

Students have also been calling for less emphasis to be placed on diploma exams for years, we hope that the shift in weighting will increase likelihood of high



Honourable Diana McQueen  
MLA Drayton Valley—Devon

school completion or gaining entry into post-secondary opportunities.

Keeping the student at the center of our work is a goal shared with all of our stakeholders. We are proud of this move and look forward to continuing our work with stakeholders to continue to focus on student success.

## PROVINCIAL DUAL CREDIT STRATEGY

New dual credit partnerships will mean that students have more opportunities to earn post-secondary credits for the same course at the same time. Recently, Alberta Education, Innovation and Advanced Education and Jobs, Skills, Training and Labour announced 24 new dual credit opportunities providing additional learning opportunities for students across the province.

New dual credit partnerships will mean students have more opportunities to earn post-secondary credits or workplace certification while still completing high school. Successful dual credit opportunities exist in pockets of the province, and education stakeholders understand the need to further build on this

positive momentum by expanding these opportunities for the benefit of our students.

There are now 50 dual credit opportunities across the province and they reflect every one of Alberta's major industry sectors. School boards, post-secondary institutions, business and industry partnerships are vital in providing Alberta students greater learning opportunities while helping to build Alberta's workforce.

For more information, please visit [www.albertadualcredit.ca](http://www.albertadualcredit.ca) or please feel free to contact my office at 780-542-3355 (Drayton Valley) or 780-387-3666 (Devon). I can also be reached at [draytonvalley.devon@assembly.ab.ca](mailto:draytonvalley.devon@assembly.ab.ca)

Honourable Diana McQueen,  
MLA  
Drayton Valley-Devon  
Minister of Municipal Affairs

## Life means life act

Our Conservative Government introduced legislation to put an end to the early release of offenders who have perpetrated the most heinous of crimes. 'Life Means Life Act' introduced on March 11th by Justice Minister Peter MacKay, seeks to amend Canada's Criminal Code and the Corrections and Conditional Release Act to ensure that criminals convicted of first-degree murder would be subject to a mandatory life sentence without parole.

Our Government has already taken concrete measures to strengthen penalties for murder including eliminating the faint hope clause, which allowed a murderer to apply for parole after 15 years, and enabled consecutive periods of parole ineligibility for multiple murderers. Murder is the



Jim Egliniski  
MP—Yellowhead

most serious crime in the Criminal Code and we will ensure that the penalty equals the crime.

This legislation will build on the Government's tough-on-crime measures to keep our streets and communities safe by ensuring that criminals who are convicted of the most serious murders or those who are convicted of high treason will be imprisoned for the rest of their natural lives with no access to parole.

In addition to the mandatory sentences discussed above, courts will have the discretion to impose life sentences without parole in any other first degree murder case or in circumstances where an offender previously convicted of murder or of an intentional killing under the Crimes Against Humanity and War Crimes Act commits another murder.

These proposed measures build on Prime Minister Harper's recent announcement of the Government's intent to introduce legislation that would end the practice of making early release available for repeat violent offenders.

We will continue to improve the safety of all Canadians by introducing legislation to ensure that our communities stay safe.

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## News

## EPAC supporters unite

Prize money to be used for EPAC renovations

Justine Kimodan  
Western Review

A few locals got together on Wednesday afternoon to film a video that will be submitted to the UFA Get 'n' Give contest by April 5.

The video was shot on March 17 just outside the Eleanor Pickard Arts Centre (EPAC). These locals dressed up as clowns, detectives, and musicians among others to show their support for the EPAC.

The video will accompany a \$500 award to a contest that gives away a total of \$250,000. The contest is composed of five rounds with each round having a winner that takes home \$50,000.

Drayton Valley Players Association Secretary Alice Spicer-Ries said she found out about the contest through her boss at work.

"I found out about it earlier this year when my boss needed something in the mail about it and she gave it to me and said 'I'll be there anything we can do about it?'" Spicer-Ries said. "She gave me time during work hours and I was able to go online and check it out and find out what it is all about. I read up on it and I thought that would be the perfect competition for us to enter to get the most of the money to get the theatre finished."

Afterwards, Spicer-Ries came up to the EPAC Society to inform the board about this competition.

"I approached the Eleanor Pickard board, asked if I could attend their board meeting, and then brought the idea to their board of directors and they agreed that it would be a great idea," she said.

The contest is open to anyone from Alberta, British Columbia and Saskatchewan. Contest participants can use the prize money for anything that will benefit their community.

"It could be for anything and in fact, I did a poll online of all the other entries and I did not find a single entry that has something to do with the arts," Spicer-Ries said. "There are lots of playgrounds, cutting risks, arenas, community halls and skate parks. There is a whole lot of different entries but none of them have anything to do with the arts."

Since the contest started in September last year and Spicer-Ries only found about the contest this year, their entry will be included in the final round of the competition.

"It just means that if we had entered back in September during the first round, we maybe would have more chances to win because we could have re-entered," she said.

If chosen to be the winner, the \$50,000 prize money will be used for the renovation of the EPAC.

"The inside of the theatre is absolutely beautiful but obviously the wearabouts and the lobby area are really the need of the day," Spicer-Ries said. "Once that is done, then the next step will hopefully be a green room as a dressing room at the back of the theatre for the performers. Without that room, it is very difficult to put on any kind

of production or show with more than ten people because there is no room backstage."

Although the cost of the renovations is more than \$50,000, Spicer-Ries said that amount of money will be a huge help.

"I do believe the EPAC Society needs more. I think the budget for the green room alone came in at approximately \$50,000 but \$50,000 will go a long way in actually helping us get to the ultimate goal of having the renovations completed which is very exciting for our community," she said. "It is a chicken and egg situation wherein if you do not provide opportunity then people cannot take it so it is a cyclical thing. There are a lot of opportunities and venues for sports and stuff in Drayton Valley so it would be ready (to have something for the arts). Especially since we have two dance schools, a performing arts festival, and choir. We have so much talent in this town that it will be really good if we could provide a great place for them to perform and provide entertainment."

Spicer-Ries is grateful for everyone who came out and showed support for the EPAC by helping out with the contest entry.

"Everybody who came out to help us with this video has been a great support," she said. "I think just keeping the arts in people's minds and bringing culture to Drayton Valley is a really big thing. I think it is very important actually that people have exposure to many different kinds of performances, whether it is classical, opera, musical, dance or theatre. If you do not have the opportunity to experience it, then you are not exposed to it, then you cannot develop a like or love for it."

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Locals dressed up as different characters for a video that will be submitted as an entry to the UFA Get 'n' Give contest. If chosen to be the winner, the \$50,000 prize money will be used for the Eleanor Pickard Arts Centre renovations.

## News

## WEARIN' O' THE GREEN AT ELDORADO SCHOOL



Justine Kimoden Western Review  
Mrs. Brethou's Grade 2 and 3 class posed for a photo in Eldorado School on March 17. The students and faculty staff donned green outfits in celebration of St. Patrick's Day.



Justine Kimoden Western Review  
Pictured from left to right are Eldorado Grade 2 and 3 students Maya ElMale, Orin Gauthier, Connor East and Ethan Smith wearing green shirts for St. Patrick's Day.

## Fuel leak in Lodgepole

Monte Lalis  
Western Review

On March 14 Drayton Valley/Brazos County Fire Services were notified of a public hazard when they were called to assist with a fuel spill.

Station One responded to the call in Lodgepole and were assisted by Station Three in Drayton Valley when a pickup truck was leaking fuel at a local hotel parking lot in Lodgepole.

Crews contained the leak and the owner transferred the fuel into storage barrels.

## SMOKE ON OUR AT A LOCAL HOTEL

On March 17 just after 9 p.m. Drayton Valley/Brazos County Fire Services responded to an odour of smoke coming out of one of the electrical rooms at a local hotel. On arrival, nothing was found when firefighters checked rooms to locate the source of the odour. "There was a light odour of hydraulic fluid in the air so possibly it could have been mistaken for electrical smoke," said deputy fire chief of training Kamal Laili.

## SPRING WATER POLLUTION RUMOR?

With spring fast around the corner, Drayton Valley/Brazos County Fire Services are asking residents to be cautious to assist with spring water pollution issues.

Deputy fire chief of training Kamal Laili advises the public to check for potential contaminants that may have been covered under the snow but will be visible now with warmer temperatures and the melting of snow.

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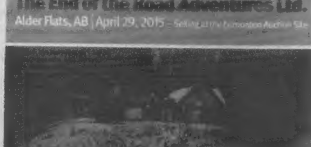
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## News



Cathy Weetman Western Review  
Event organizer and vendor Ashley Pfeiffer showing off some of the items she had available at the second annual Easter Extravaganza.

## Easter bunny comes to visit

About 40 vendors displayed their goodies at FMHS

Cathy Weetman  
Western Review

Despite snow on the ground, the Easter bunny kept warm and dry on Saturday, March 21 when he was busy upstairs at Frank Maddock High School posing for photographs with children during the school's Easter Extravaganza.



Cathy Weetman Western Review

White moms and dads shopped around, children kept themselves busy at the bouncy house arranged at the second annual Easter Extravaganza.

Although some of the younger children weren't exactly thrilled with Mr. Bunny, the ones who were sat on his lap appeared to have a great time. In addition to the photographs, children had fun in the bouncy house and had an opportunity to have sparkly tattoos put on them. Later they were invited to find 500 plastic Easter eggs scattered throughout the gymnasium.

For the parents, there were over 40 vendors with items ranging from crafts to cookware available in the gym as well.

Event organizer Ashley Pfeiffer

from Little Boutiques Events, noted the first Easter trade show was held last year and was well-received.

It brings happiness to the community. In the winter we held a Christmas Dash with over 600 people attending. Guests were Santa Claus and Olaf from Walt Disney's Frozen. Coming up in August, we'll be having a Back to School trade show when we'll be giving away school supplies and door prizes," said Pfeiffer.

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Completed Nominations forms must be delivered to the Wild Rose School Division office in Rocky Mountain House located at 4912 43rd St., Rocky Mountain House. A fax or other reproduction will not be accepted.



## News

# Appreciation night held

Drayton Valley Health Services Foundation celebrates 20 years

Justine Klammen  
Western Review

The Drayton Valley Health Services Foundation held a Donor Appreciation Night on March 17 in the Peninsula Room at the Drayton Valley Hospital and Care Centre.

The appreciation night was held to honour the donors as the foundation celebrates its 20th year.

"We had an appreciation night a couple of years ago, too, but we thought we should do it again this time because we are 20 years old now," said Drayton Valley Health Services Foundation Fund Development Officer Colleen Sekula. "We should be showing our appreciation to our donors and letting them see all our staff that we have."

A tour of the hospital, among other things, was prepared by the foundation for the donors.

"We did tours and had coffee and some goodies and we recognized those people who are sustaining donors, people

who have been donating to us for at least 10 years," Sekula said. "Every year, they have given us a donation and we have 40 of those people in our community."

The tour took donors through the hospital to see the different equipment the foundation was able to purchase, thanks to the financial support given by donors.

"They give us those donations and we want to show them that we are putting their money to good use," Sekula said. "Unless they are patients in our hospital, they may not be able to see that equipment. This is an opportunity for them to tour through to see the equipment, see how it works, ask questions, and know that their donations are being looked after here."

Through the generous donations received by the foundation, equipment including colonoscopes, exercise machines and heart monitors are now available at the hospital.

"There is this handy bit, equipment for colonoscopy, exercise machine, diagnostic imaging for developing X-rays and heart monitors," said Sekula. "We also built a heliport for our STARS ambulance to land here."

Audrey Whitelock, a donor for at least 15 years and a volunteer for the foundation, said she is happy to see the work being

done by the foundation for the hospital.

"The tour is very good. This is the second tour I have been in," Whitelock said. "I think they use the donations very well. I volunteer in the foundation office also so I get a little bit of the inside scoop and people are very generous. It is good."

Aside from monetary donations, the time spent by the foundation's board of directors and volunteers is appreciated by Sekula.

"Some of these ladies in this room are my board of directors and they donate their time," she said. "They are here for the regular meetings and for all the fundraising events that we do and I appreciate them because I cannot do what I do without the support of these ladies."

Sekula said she is truly grateful for the support given to the foundation that helps provide the health care that the Drayton Valley community needs.

A great big thank you. I just want to hug them all because we could not do what we do without their support," she said. "That is what this community is all about and being able to have equipment here so we can attract and retain physicians so we can look after our community. If we do not have the right equipment here then they will not stay here."



## Town Hall Meeting

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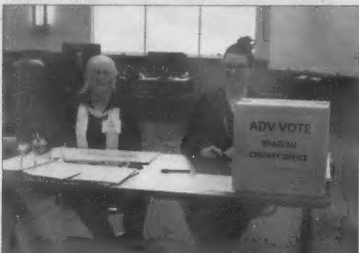
Long-term donors were given a tour of the Drayton Valley Hospital and Care Centre on March 17. The donors were able to see the equipment that they contributed towards.





## News

## RIGHT TO VOTE



Mamta Lulla Western Review  
Brazeau County residents made use of the Advanced Voting stations last week. Two stations were set up prior to election day. One was setup in Brazeau County Office (above) and the other one was in Bertou.

## PASSING THE BUCK



Photo submitted  
Tanya MacNaughton, manager of Service Plus and Service Plus Encore and a member of the Drayton Valley Hospitality and Tourism Authority (DVHTA) presented a cheque to Tyson Pritch of the Pro Hockey Club in the amount of \$5000. The money from DVHTA goes toward the event that will take place at the end of April.

## Build a computer

Learning more about Kano computer

Jaxline Kinnahan  
Western Review

Interested in building your own computer? The Drayton Valley Municipal Library gives local youth and adults alike the opportunity to construct a computer starting on March 26 at the main library.

Through the Makerspace program offered at the library, residents can register and participate in the "Kick-off with Kano."

"We are just starting up Makerspace here at the main library. We have one down at the Drayton Valley Rotary Children's Library for the younger kids," said Drayton Valley Municipal Library director Sandy Faunt. "We are going to combine it with a Telus program. They have given us a grant and we got some Kano computers and Makerspace participants will be putting together computers and learning a little bit about fibre optics."

The program, which will be held every Wednesday from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., will give youth and adults the opportunity to learn something new while having fun at the same time.

"We thought putting together a computer will be a cool thing and the kids can learn how that works," Faunt said. "They start with just the basic parts and put them together and attach it to a monitor and see it work."

Building computers is just one of many activities residents can engage in when they register for Makerspace.

"You can either use Kano or else you can paint a birdhouse or make a bath house," said Faunt. "We are just starting so we are slowly building up different things to do. Eventually, we will have a sewing machine so you can learn how to sew and cross-stitch and things like that."

Faunt encourages everyone to register to the program, not only for educational purposes, but to meet new people in the community.

"This way, you can come and you can socialize and learn to do different things," she said. To register, contact the Drayton Valley Municipal Library at (780)514-2228.

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## Sports

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Drayton Valley Cup hosted locally

Mamta Lulla  
Western Review

For the first time Drayton Valley basketball players from three major schools got a chance to go against each other in a local tournament.

The Drayton Valley Cup was hosted by St. Anthony School on March 14 that saw young basketball players from the school play against players from Drayton Christian School (DCS) and HW Pickup Junior High school.

St. Anthony Sharks boys basketball team won the tournament with gold. In second place with silver was the HW Pickup Junior Boys Basketball team.

"It was good organizing and it was pretty awesome and it was a first. Hopefully it carries on," said HW Pickup Junior Boys Basketball team coach Jerry Russell.

There were three games scheduled giving every school an equal opportunity to play against each other.

"We lost both of our games. I would say they [players] worked hard and they performed well," said co-coach Sylvia Pischke at DCS.

There were 14 players from HW Pickup Junior High that day.

"We have 10 boys on our team. They [DCS] have eight here today," said St. Anthony School's basketball coach James Meliac.

Russell said he was approached with the local tournament idea as all three school players play at a similar level. "[The tournament is] just for Drayton Valley schools and they are around the same calibre of the teams, and it gives good competition and it gets the kids playing more. Playing the game they start to deal with more competition, and loving the game. When they leave junior high and they may want to continue and pursue," said Russell.

Medals for the Drayton Valley Cup were donated by a local business.

After the tournament, Russell said he received positive feedback from parents, who said the event was well organized and they didn't have to drive out of town to give their children an opportunity to play the game.

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## Young basketball players played in a local cup



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Basketball players from St. Anthony School, HW Pickup Junior High School and Drayton Christian School participated in the first-ever Drayton Valley Cup. The local tournament was scheduled in town recently, giving players a chance to compete with each other without travelling a far distance.

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## Tigers in Tri-County Basketball Championship

Girls team won first, boys placed second

By Allen Woods

The Holy Trinity Academy girls' basketball team won the Tri-County Championship while the boys' team were home in second place. Five teams competed in this Tri-County Championship and was held on March 14 at Thorburn.

Allen Woods, basketball coach for the girls' team, said he is happy with the girls' showing, above the championship.

"It was good. In the last five years, they were in four times," he said. Boys' basketball team coach Allen Woods said he has accepted the fact that his boys are in second place.

"We were in the championship game but we lost our championship game," Woods said. "We didn't lose looking and we would have loved to put another banner in the gym but we will accept it."

Both teams also played in the North Central Zone basketball games held on March 13 and 14. The girls played at New Sarepta while the boys played at Westlock. The girls won second place in the North Central Zone basketball games while the boys were in third place.

Although the team members of this year's boys' basketball team

are fairly new, Woods said they still did a great job ending up in third place at the zone games and second place at the championship game.

"I have a very young team this year. Honestly, the boys this year surprised my expectations as to what we would do because the last two years, we went to provincials with the team and then last year, I graduated my entire starting line. This year, I lost two boys who were to play in North Edmonton or St. Albert and the one boy for sure is a really strong player, and then I had some players that did not return," Woods said. "My team I had last year to this year is remarkably different. We lost a lot of experience, I guess. The fact that the boys did as well as they did, I was super pumped about how well we did so they came a long way. I was not even sure if they would make zones this year to be honest with you, but they got third so that is amazing."

The girls and the boys' teams each have their own strategies in how to prepare for games. For the girls, they focus more on how the other teams play and they adjust their game plan accordingly.

"We practice four to five hours a week all season long," McQuinn said. "Then when you play a team for a second time or you know better then you gear practice towards that team you are going to play against."

As for the boys team, they mainly focus on themselves.

"I have two other assistant coaches that help me out this year and between the three of us, we would identify our biggest deficiencies from the previous week and we would focus on those for our practices the following week," Woods said. "We had identified our foul shooting was just terrible so we made a big stress on it. Red shooting is not something you can practice on your own but in practices, we

did implement a couple of drills to help out with that. We also identified that we should be able to fast break a little bit better so we implemented a couple of drills to get us looking for the fast break in those situations and then also our defense when we're on."

McQuinn said he is happy with the effort and commitment both teams have put in to accomplish what they have this year.

They put a lot of time to do this," he said. "They are out playing basketball while their friends are here partying so it takes a big commitment on their part."

Woods echoed what McQuinn said and was pleased that both teams have worked hard in the last few years.

"Out of the last five years, the boys won it four times as well. It is just that last year, the girls did not win it and we won it last year and then vice versa this year, but it is kind of the same story for both of us," he said. "When they did not win it last year, I think it was a right game, too, that the girls ended up losing, so our teams actually have been very successful the last number of years. I have been quite proud of them."

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## Sports

### Fighting alongside of students

Wrestling season comes to an end

By Allen Woods

"Give your best and fight." That was the motto on March 14 when some of the local wrestlers of all ages went to Alberta Opens to compete in the final tournament of the season.

The tournament was open to all age groups from elementary students to senior citizens, which means the coach at the Drayton Valley Legacy Wrestling Club, Rob Perry, tried his luck in his wrestling career.

The coach brought back a bronze, while elementary school wrestlers brought back eight bronze medals.

Junior High students had a tough time at the tournament because of the age difference between some of the wrestlers.

"Junior high had a pretty tough go at it. Lot of tough matches but overall they did well. They wrestled hard, just not the medal results that they were hoping for, but I was still very impressed," said Perry. "Basically what it was at the opens it's Grade 9 and 10, so the two Grade 9 students that I have were wrestling against kids that were already in high school (meaning) competing at a little bit higher level."

Meanwhile, there wasn't much of an age difference when it came to elementary students.

"There were eight elementary kids. And they all medaled. They were very impressive. Junior high was a couple few years' difference whereas the elementary was maybe one year difference, like the seven-year-olds would wrestle the six-year-olds. And eight and nine would

wrestle each other," said Perry.

Reece Kleckner at the elementary level came out with gold, his third gold in three tournaments. Logan Kluene came out with gold. Colin Buchanan, Reece Kluene and Blake Heutschi won silver, and Noah Swanson, Jeremy Swanson and Erica Lode won bronze medals.

It wasn't Perry's bronze medal that taught the children, but it was his attitude about the results.

"When they see me practicing against them, (they think) nobody is going to score a point and then they see me go out and actually get down on my back and I don't come off the mat upset. I come off pretty humbled, so they learn," said Perry.

He competed against five wrestlers in four matches, with two wins and two losses.

"I am doing this for the kids. I am not doing it for me. I always tell them if they wrestle their hardest, I will go and wrestle my hardest in the tournament. This

is the only one in the year that I do," he added.

With the season ending, he looks forward to the next season when wrestlers can register again in September.

He appreciates dedication from parents who are there for their children every week during the practice sessions.

"I have so many parents at the practice. They stick around, watch and have fun," he said.

In this season, he also had support from Wade Wolcott, a former international level wrestler who owns a local business in town. With his support, wrestlers were able to get their uniforms. Another local business wrote a cheque for \$7,000 for the club to buy their own mats.

He also appreciated advice and input from his assistant coaches, some of whom only joined this season and will continue to be on Perry's side come next season.



Local wrestler Colin Buchanan (top) came out winning a silver medal at the Alberta Opens held recently.

### PLAYERS VERSUS COACHES GAME ENDS IN TIE



Photo submitted

Drayton Valley Minor Hockey team DV Rentals Midgets played the Minor hockey coaches as their season comes to an end. The game was played both ways ending in an 8-8 tie. Also that evening the Weger family presented the "Jordan Weger Memorial Trophy" to the Midget Player who best exemplified dedication and leadership qualities on and off the ice. This year's recipient was Jake Belys. For more details go to [www.draytonvalleyhockey.com](http://www.draytonvalleyhockey.com).

## Brazeau Gymnasts take Gold in Red Deer

Special to Western Review

Rhythmic gymnasts received gold medals for their individual routines at the "Time to Shine" competition on March 14, 2015 in Red Deer.

This was the Performance team's second interclub competition of the year. We look forward to cheering them on next in Edmonton on June 20, 2015. Until then, the Brazeau athletes will be practising additional group and individual routines to showcase in the spring.

While the Rhythmic Performance team was competing in Red Deer, Brazeau Gymnastics hosted the second annual Gymnathon for recreational gymnasts. Participants had a chance to win prizes and show off their new skills to family and friends. Registration for Session Three takes place at the Whithy Community Hall on April 15 from 6 to 8 p.m. This special session will finish with a Parent Show in June.

Also in Session Three, Brazeau Gymnastics is excited to offer a new Piyo class on Tuesday nights. A great chance have some mother-daughter time and get a total body workout. More photos and information available on our Facebook page.



Gymnasts in the photo from left to right are: Taylor Smith, Hazel Kleckner, Arianne Jones, and Olivia Eppinger.

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als in Edmonton on March 14th. Gideon placed first overall in the elementary division students and was also the top grade 5 boy in the tournament.

The Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship was held at St. Anthony School, results are:

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## News Contribute to community

Congratulations. You made it through winter. It doesn't matter how you did it, just that you did. And as your shoulders begin to relax and you re-learn how to breathe deeply, taking in the gears of warming soil, it is time to enjoy the awakening of the community around you.

What a great time of year to consider that important question: what can you do to make your world a better place, beginning in your backyard?

Whether you define yourself as a gardener or not, I hope that you find my suggestions below helpful. These are my top three suggestions for making your yard, which is an integral part of the community around you, an environmentally better place for all.

1. Hang your laundry. Every Canadian uses an average of about 100 kilowatt hours of energy drying clothes in the clothes dryer, annually. Your clothes dryer uses as much power as 225 light bulbs. In total, for all Canadians, this is roughly equivalent to 3 coal-fired power plants' output per year. It is important to note that you can save up to \$250 a year by drying your clothes on a clothesline.

2. Hills Clotheslines, the makers of a state-of-the-art clothes line available at Home Hardware, remind us that outdoor clothes drying not only saves you money and the world energy, but it is better for your clothes, too. Here are some clothes drying tips:

a. Hang your clothes inside out to preserve the colour.

b. The sun provides its own 'natural bleach' for a stain each season.

c. Air drying can reduce wrinkles in your clothes. Hang shirts with the crease naturally in the fold over the line itself.

d. Air drying reduces static cling. Use static cling.

e. To ease the clothes, air dry.



Mark Cullen

ling as free. I know, I know. We take so much for granted.

3. If your clothes become stiff while hanging in the breeze add ½ cup of vinegar per load to soften them up.

4. Consider the therapy of clothesline hanging: the act of putting out the laundry on a beautiful sunny day, the smell of fresh air when you pull on a line-dried item and the appearance of laundry gently flapping in the breeze. Anyone who enjoys sailing has understood.

Don't let the nay sayers get you down. The people who object to the appearance of hanging laundry are the same people who think that vegetables should not be grown in the front yard and that feeding songbirds drags down their property values.

5. They say, this suggestion is a not so subtle way of saying that you should definitely not buy a gas powered leaf blower. And if you have one, ignore it and let it hang in the garage until it rots. Chasing it away means that someone else might use it and that would defeat the purpose. Two-cycle leaf blowers are the bane of our urban and suburban existence.

I have you ever noticed that people who use these usually ally wear eye protection? But, as they approach other people, they never shut them off? That is unless they are flushed blowing dust and debris all over the neighborhood. No, they continue on with their business.

deep in thought about anything but the environmental and social damage that they are causing from the other end of the line.

If everyone who uses a leaf blower instead of a fan rake (on the lawn) or a broom (on hard surfaces), imagine... just take this moment to imagine how much quieter our neighbourhoods would be.

3. Add Water and Don't Spray. Think of the positive impact that you can have on the sustainable bio activity in your neighbourhood by adding water to your landscape.

Environmentally speaking, still water (in a waterfall or fountain) provides more benefits to the ecology of your outdoor space than any single addition that you can make. And all it takes is a half barrel of water and a few floating water-lilies or water hyacinths. A ground level pond is better still, where toads and frogs can play, drink, mate and live. Add dragon flies, salamanders, newts, toads and a myriad of small ground-dwelling creatures and you have a veritable zoo of biodiversity. All for the happy that you have provided an open bar of fresh water. 24/7.

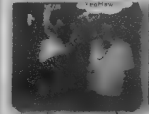
Now that mosquitoes breed in still water. You can overcome this 'problem' by adding a few cheap goldfish who love to chew down on mosquito larvae.

Perhaps you have other things in mind to add to the environmental benefits of living in a neighbourhood. If you do, I would love to hear from you. You can reach me through the Contact Us link at [www.markcullen.com](http://www.markcullen.com) I will respond to you just as soon as I get the laundry hung out to dry.

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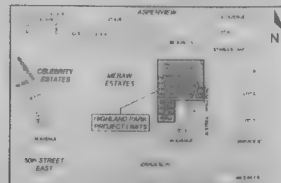
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## News

### COMMUNICATING WITH EACH OTHER



Mamba Lufia Western Review  
(From left) Deputy Mayor Janet Young from the Village of Breton, Acting Reeve Shirley Mahan of Brazeau County and Mayor Glenn McLean of the Town of Drayton Valley, signed the communications protocol recently ensuring strong communications between the three municipalities.

### PASSING THE BUCK



Paula Maciborski (left) who was Paula Pankowicz before marriage presented a cheque to fund development officer at Drayton Valley Health Foundation, Colleen Salazar (right) on behalf of her family, the Pankowicz Family. The money will go towards C4DV Campaign with the family requesting the amount to stay anonymous.

### CAUSE FOR CRITTERS PET OF THE WEEK



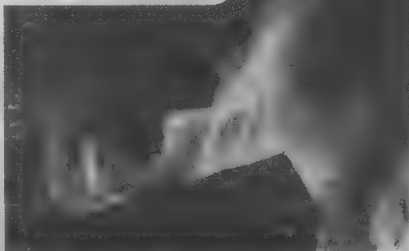
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## News

## Options are available to laid off workers

Laid off workers

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Using your job can be one of the most stressful life events you may ever face. Getting a pink slip doesn't just affect your cash flow; it can affect your confidence, self-esteem and the friendships you've made through work.

If you feel like you're wrestling with the emotions from losing your job, check out the Coping With Your Loss section on the Alberta Learning Information Service (ALIS) website at [alberta.ca/losses](http://alberta.ca/losses).

Emotional support is also available through the Mental Health helpline, 1-877-811-2111.

[albertahealthservices.ca/mentalhealth.asp](http://albertahealthservices.ca/mentalhealth.asp).

First, negotiate your severance and set the terms. Don't feel pressured to accept a severance or settlement package immediately. Take some time to think about the offer and don't be afraid to negotiate. Understand what employment standards rights at work you have.

Want legal advice? Contact the Law Society of Alberta.

ety of Alberta to find a lawyer who specializes in employment law at [www.lawociety.ab.ca](http://www.lawociety.ab.ca). Once you and your employer have agreed to a "deal," get it in writing.

Second, ask for letters of reference. Having reference letters will help when you're looking for a new job.

Third, ask for your Record of Employment. You need a Record of Employment to apply for Employment Insurance. Contact your nearest Service Canada Centre if you haven't received your record within 14 days of your last pay from your employer.

Fourth, apply for Employment Insurance (EI) online at [servicecanada.gc.ca/ei](http://servicecanada.gc.ca/ei) or in person at your nearest Service Canada Centre. Apply for EI as soon as you stop working. You can even apply for EI before you receive your Record of Employment.

Fifth, review your finances and develop a budget while you look for a new job. Ask your accountant, banker or financial adviser for advice or check out the free tips on the Money Mentors web site at [moneymentors.ca](http://moneymentors.ca).

If you don't have a severance package, are not eligible for EI, and have no other resources (e.g., family support, investments, or savings) you can apply for Income Support assistance while you look for a new job.

through Alberta Works. For more information on Income Support, visit [humanresources.ab.ca](http://humanresources.ab.ca).

Finally, explore your career options. Take this opportunity to think about your career. Do you want to switch industries, careers or open your own business?

Free career planning services are available through:

• Career Information Hotline 1-800-661-5753

• ALIS Website: [alberta.ca](http://alberta.ca)

For help with your job search, visit your nearest Alberta Works Centre. There are 53 Alberta Works Centres located across the province. You can find the one nearest you at [humanresources.ab.ca/offices](http://humanresources.ab.ca/offices).

Still have questions? Read *Creating a New Future: The Job Loss Workbook*. It covers everything I've mentioned here plus much more. You can pick up a free copy at your nearest Alberta Works Centre or get it online at [alberta.ca/joblossworkbook](http://alberta.ca/joblossworkbook).

Good luck!

Do you have a work related question? Send your questions to *Working Wise*, at [charles.strechy@rednet.ca](mailto:charles.strechy@rednet.ca). Charles Strechy is a manager with Alberta Human Services. This column is provided for general information.



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Obituaries



**STEFFENSON, Victoria "Vickie" Jean**  
1945 - 2015

With immense sorrow, we announce the passing of Vickie Steffenson of Buck Creek, Alberta on Monday, March 16, 2015. Having spent the majority of her life in the Buck Creek area, Vickie had a great love of farm life; she was most happy spending her time doing outdoor chores, working with her husband Gordon, whom she is now reunited with. Vickie will be greatly missed and lovingly remembered by her sons, Tony (Corinne) and Michael; grandsons, Damon, Jordan and Morgan; sisters, Helen and Eleanor; sisters-in-law, Isabelle, Rita and Joyce, as well as by many extended family and long-time friends. Vickie was predeceased by her husband, Gordon and parents, John and Victoria Sisco. A Funeral Service took place at Buck Creek Cemetery Memorial Contributions in Vickie's name may be made directly to the Buck Creek Cemetery. Condolences may be sent to [www.serenity.ca](http://www.serenity.ca). Arrangements in care of Joelle Valliere, Funeral Director at

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**TREIT, Lydia Barbara**  
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She leaves to mourn her loss and cherish her memory: one son, Gerald (Audrey) Treit, four daughters, Marlene (Rufus) Combs, Sharon (Ray) Tuffy, Phyllis (Lem) Rogan and Kathy Morrow-Hude, seven grandchildren, thirteen great-grandchildren, three great-great grandchildren, two brothers, Walter Lutz and Harold (Priscilla) Lutz as well as numerous nieces, nephews, relatives and many good friends.

Lydia was predeceased by her husband John (2006), daughter Barbara (2010) and two grandchildren.

Funeral Services were held at the Entwistle Community Church, Entwistle, Alberta, on Saturday, March 21, 2015 at 11:00 am with Pastor Norman Lentz officiating and interment followed at the Peace Lutheran Cemetery, Spruce Grove, Alberta.

If friends so desire, memorial donations may be made to The Good Samaritan Society, Pembina Village, Box 330, Evansburg, AB, T0E 0T0.

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Details of all open positions and complete application procedures are available under "Working Here" on the Employment Opportunities page of our website [www.wildroseschools.ca](http://www.wildroseschools.ca) and at Drayton Office, 100-101-102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000

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Phone (780) 542-7777 - Fax: (780) 542-7770

**BRAZEAU COUNTY IS LOOKING FOR A DYNAMIC INDIVIDUAL TO ASSUME THE POSITION OF:**

**Job Summary:**  
The Assessment/Taxation Coordinator provides general support to the Department of Corporate Services by maintaining the taxation and assessment roll in an up to date and accurate manner, handling the Assessment Appeal Board Hearings, assisting in the risk management process, maintaining the monthly Accounts Receivable process and providing guidance for the Receptionist and Administration Assistant for Corporate Services in the area of cash receipting and data entry. The position also helps the front reception area and supports in times of absence to ensure coverage at all times.

**Required Qualifications:**

- Recognized accounting certificate or equivalent experience
- Thorough understanding of Microsoft Word and Microsoft Excel and Great Plains Dynamics and Diamond Financial Systems
- Ability to work independently and with others and meet various deadlines
- Ability to deal effectively in a multitasking environment
- Ability to communicate pleasantly and tactfully with customers and co-workers
- Valid Driver's License

Deadline for applicants is April 17, 2015 or until a suitable candidate is found. Visit [www.brazeau.ab.ca](http://www.brazeau.ab.ca) for a full job description. Please ensure the specific position is clearly defined on cover letter. To apply for this position please send resume and cover letter to the attention of:

Joy Knyla  
Human Resources Coordinator  
Brazeau County  
[jnyla@brazeau.ab.ca](mailto:jnyla@brazeau.ab.ca)  
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**BRAZEAU COUNTY IS LOOKING FOR DYNAMIC INDIVIDUALS TO ASSUME THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS:**

**SEASONAL EQUIPMENT OPERATOR**  
**Job Summary:**  
This equipment operator's primary responsibility will be to operate a small cat, truck and trailer in the loader, water truck, snow plow grader and various other miscellaneous equipment within the County.

**Required Qualifications:**

- Ability to efficiently operate all above stated equipment
- Must have a minimum of a class 3 driver's license but a class 1 preferred
- Driver's abstract will be required for valid and reliable
- Ability to carry out physical labor
- Minimum 3 years experience on most of the above stated equipment preferred but willing to train

**SEASONAL GRADER OPERATOR**  
**Job Summary:**  
This equipment operator's primary responsibility will be to operate a grader, water truck and trailer in the loader, water truck, snow plow grader and various other miscellaneous equipment within the County.

**Required Qualifications:**

- Must have a valid driver's license
- Able to carry out physical labour
- Previous experience on a maintenance unit is desired
- Overtime and weekend work will be required when necessary
- Shift work may be implemented as required this may include emergency response

**FULL TIME LABOURER MAINTENANCE**  
**Job Summary:**  
This individual's primary responsibility will be to carry out labour duties in the maintenance department including snow removal and operation of the public works for sign drivers and support positions.

**Required Qualifications:**

- Able to perform physical labour
- Some knowledge of operating equipment
- Minimum 1 year experience
- Communication skills
- Ability to efficiently operate a chainsaw

Deadline for applicants is March 31, 2015 or until a suitable candidate is found. Visit [www.brazeau.ab.ca](http://www.brazeau.ab.ca) for a full job description. Please ensure the specific position is clearly defined on cover letter. To apply for this position please send resume and cover letter to the attention of:

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Human Resources Coordinator  
Brazeau County  
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**Required Qualifications:**

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- Clean driving record
- Driver's abstract required

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## Community events

Indulge Community Hall Annual General Meeting is scheduled to take place on March 30, at 7 p.m. at the local community hall.

### Monday

- Sit and Get Fit exercise class @ 10 a.m. at Sunrise Village (3902-47th St.) Exercises done from a chair. All seniors welcome.
- First and third — Brain Injury Support Group meets @ 12:30 p.m.
- Bingo at the Drayton Valley Legion. Doors open at 5:30 p.m.
- Line dancing @ the Senior Hall, 7-8:30 p.m.
- Bingo Tuesday: Agns Centre, doors open at 5 p.m. Bingo at 7:30 p.m. 780-339-2423 or 780-339-3747 for information.

### Tuesday

- DV Art Club meetings, 7 p.m. @ 780-432-7333
- Kin-Club meetings, 7:00-8:15-1517

### Wednesday

- Support groups: DV Family Support & Intervention Program, women's group, 7-9 p.m. 542-6702 for more info.

### Thursday

- Bible Study: Bible Study, Western Mount Zion (sisters), 7:30 p.m. Morna @ 542-2654 for info.

### Friday

- 2nd Tuesday: New Cultural Youth Society meets @ 7 p.m. at FMSB Outreach, 780-542-8196 for more info.
- Pre-school art, 12-12:40 p.m. @ DV Preschool, 696-2343 for info.

### Saturday

- Devoted, Teachers meet 7-8:30 p.m. @ St. Anthony's College Campus. Everyone welcome. Call Marn @ 780-729-4932 for more info.
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- DV Family Support & Intervention Program, men's group, 7-9 p.m. 542-6702
- Youth meetings, 12-12:40 Church of God, 542-6882, 542-7023
- Warning: Heavy Snow Storm, 11:30-1:30 @ Drayton Valley Royal Canadian Legion

### Sunday

- Drayton Regional Search and Rescue @ 7 p.m. Don @ 780-542-2817, new members welcomed.
- Black Creek Community Assoc. general meetings.
- Women in the Wild meets @ River Rock (Super 8), 7 p.m.

### Monday

- DV Citizens on Panel Society (COPS) meets, 7 p.m. Visit [www.draytonvalleycop.com](http://www.draytonvalleycop.com) to get involved.

### Tuesday

- Drayton Valley Community Hall, Doors open 5:30 p.m.
- DV Genealogical Society meets, 7 p.m. @ Whidbey Hall. For information call 780-542-2787.
- Drayton Valley Art Society (DVAS) meets, 7:30 p.m. West Penn Holdings office (5606-55 St.) Denis Poirier @ 780-542-6323 for more information.

### Wednesday

- Max Performing Arts Centre board meets, 7:30 p.m. @ the hall.
- Midweek Community Hall board meets, 7:30 p.m. @ the hall.

### Thursday

- DV District Cancer Support Group meets, 1:30 p.m. @ Amanda's home, Westwind, Howard @ 780-542-2723 and Fern @ 780-542-5416 for info.
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## Homes

## Don't become a victim of home renovation fraud

### Special to the Western Review

Spring is just days away, a time when many consumers' thoughts turn to home renovations.

Fraud Prevention Month is a good time to remind homeowners to protect themselves against deceitful contractors.

Home renovation fraud is one of the most common complaints received by Service Alberta and

rosts homeowners in the province hundreds of thousands of dollars each year.

A frequent source of complaints involves door-to-door paving contractors.

In a typical scam, a contractor arrives at a consumer's home with-

out warning, claims to have leftover asphalt from a job in the area and offers a discount for paving jobs.

The quality of the asphalt and work provided is usually poor, with driveways falling apart within days. By the time consumers notice problems, the pavers have left the area making it difficult for consumers to address problems directly.

Service Alberta's Consumer Investigations Unit recently investigated complaints into one similar incident. Michael George MacDonald and his company, Highway Maintenance & Asphalt Repair Ltd., were convicted on 44 counts under the Fair

Trading Act in relation to a paving scam that primarily targeted the elderly in various rural communities across Alberta.

In November 2014, MacDonald and his company were fined nearly \$887,000 and ordered to make restitution of nearly \$138,000.

Service Alberta urges consumers to take the following steps to protect themselves:

• If a contractor wants payment up front, first make sure they are on a list of licensed and bonded businesses at [servicealberta.ca](http://servicealberta.ca) or by calling the Consumer Contact Centre toll-free at 1-877-427-3008.

• Check references and confirm the contractor's complaint history through the local Better Business Bureau.

• Get at least three estimates before entering into a contract.

• Always get estimates and contracts in writing; make sure they include key dates, cancellation rights and a description of materials to be used.

• Beware of unsolicited door-to-door offers or deals from contractors who "just happen" to be in the area.

• Homeowners should also consider holding back a portion of the payment, which allows them time to deal with any deficiencies and ensure suppliers have been paid.

Don't pay a large deposit to renovators for materials. Most reputable contractors maintain charge accounts with their suppliers.

This month marks the 11th anniversary of the innovative Fraud Prevention Month partnership across Canada. Service Alberta works with law

enforcement, other levels of government and businesses groups to help Albertans:

• recognize fraud in its various forms;

• learn how and where to report it; and

• how to stop fraud before a scammer cheats someone out of their hard-earned money.

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